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Mr. S. Arbudaswami Udayar:—"With reference to the answer to (a) to (g), may I ask the hon, the Law Member to state whether he cannot make an exception with regard to (d), considering the importance of the matter?"

The hon, Sir C, P. Ramaswami Ayvar:—"I greatly regret my inability to place information before the hon, Member."

Representation of Adi-Dravidas in the Police department.

*1628 Q.—Mr. V. I. Muniswami Pillai: Will the hon, the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) the percentage of Adi-Dravida community in the Police department in the ranks of Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors in the Madras City and

the mufassal;

(b) how many applications for the post of Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors were received by the Inspector-General of Police and how many of them were from Adi-Dravidas, as a result of the advertisement in the Madras newspapers on 5th September 1927 calling for applications for Inspector's and Sub-Inspector's posts; and

(c) whether the Government propose to ask the Inspector-General of Police to give encouragement to the members of the Adi-Dravida and other depressed classes by selecting as many Adi-Dravidas as are qualified and are

eligible for selection?

A.—(a) On 1st April 1927 there was one permanent Sub-Inspector of Police belonging to the "depressed class" in the Presidency; no Inspectors were of this class.

(b) The Government have no information; they have called for it.(c) The hon. Member is referred to the answer given to clause (b) of

question No. 1556.

Mr. V. I. Muniswami Pillai:—"May I know, with reference to (b), when the information will be ready?"

The hon. Sir C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR: —"As soon as it is sent by the Inspector-General of Police, Sir."

Indian officers and training at Scotland Yard.

*1629 Q.-Mr. B. RAMACHANDRA REDDI: Will the hen, the Law

Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether any Indian officers of the Police department have so far

been sent to the Scotland Yard for training in criminal investigation;

(b) if not, why not;

(c) whether the Government do not think it necessary to give expert training at a place like the Scotland Yard for the officers of the Criminal Investigation Department; and

(d) if so, what steps they contemplate to take in the matter?

A .-- (a) No

(b) The courses of instruction at Scotland Yard are confined to officers of the substantive rank of the District Superintendent of Police and above, who are on leave in Europe. No permanent Indian District Superintendent of Police has been on leave in Europe since the scheme was introduced.

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(c) & (d) Yes. Mr. E. T. H. Stevenson, Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Eastern Range, and Criminal Investigation Department, has been given the training.

Mr. B RAMACHANDRA REDDI :- "May I know, Sir, whether the Government did not think that Indian officers knowing Indian conditions would be more suited than Europeans for Criminal Investigation Department work?"

The hon the PRESIDENT :- "It is asking for an opinion."

liwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :- "Having regard to the importance of having a training in Scotland Yard, will not Government take into consideration the desirability of sending some higher officers in the department for training in Scotland Yard, in addition of course to Mr. Stevenson who has been trained already?"

The hon. Sir C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR: - "The training in Scotland Yard is given for a couple of months at a time, generally in May and June. Till now the Government have not sent or deputed anybody for the purpose of undergoing this training. They have utilized those officers who are in England about that time and have asked them to undergo the course, reference of course being made to their suitability for the purpose of that training. But the matter referred to by the hon. Member will be borne in mind.

Mr. M. A. MANIKKAVELU NAYAKAR :- "What is the special difficulty of the hon, the Law Member in deputing Indian officers for training in Scotland Yard?"

The hon, Sir C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR :- "Expense."

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Local Boards

Grants to Sri Sarada Niketanam, Guntur.

1630 Q .- Dr. (Mrs.) S. MUTHULAKSHMI REDDI: Will the hon, the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state-

(a) whether the Government are aware that the Sri Sarada Niketanam. Guntur, is a residential institution for girls to promote the higher

education of girls, both literary and vocational;

(b) whether the Government are aware of the decision of the municipalities of Guntur, Bezwada and Ellore, the District Boards of Kistna, West Godavari and Vizagapatam and the Taluk Boards of Divi and Gannavaram to make grants to the Sri Sarada Niketanam or the Women's Home of Service, Guntur;

(c) whether the said local bodies have applied to the Local Government

for their approval of that sanction of such grants;

(d) if the answer to clause (c) be in the affirmative, when ;

(e) whether they are going to give effect to the G.O. No. 2241. L & M., dated 16th June 1927, enabling the local bodies to give grants to unrecognized institutions conducted on national lines; and

(1) whether the hon. the Minister would expedite the matter?